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## TURNER: CANADA IS NOT FOR SALE

By Terry Pether

On the same day two weeks ago as the first poll taken after the so-called "free trade" agreement revealed that the Tories remain in the dumpster, Liberal leader John Turner spoke to an overflow crowd of McGill students about that agreement. Clearing his throat only once during his entire speech, a poised and polished Turner told his audience that Canada may be open for business, but it is not for sale.

Turner, the lawyer, invoked principles of contracting to say that with any bargain you have to look at what you are getting and at what you are giving away. And whenever the other party is ten times stronger than you are and you want the deal more badly than they do, he added, you get stuck on the short end. That, Turner argued, is what happened to Canada.

Canada did not really get a free trade deal at all, according to Turner. The motivating rationale for seeking a free trade deal, he said, was to secure tariff-free access to the American market (even though 85% of Canadian goods going to the United States already pass duty-free). But Canada did not receive any such exemption from American protectionism. Indeed, the much-ballyhooed trade disputes review tribunal is, Turner pointed out, merely mandated to decide whether American courts, in ruling on any trade disputes, have properly applied American law. In other words, said Turner, Canada is still subject to the same trade laws as other countries. The only thing new is this set of judges.

Turner believes that what the United States gets is unfettered access to Canada. American companies will replace Canadian ownership in Canadian financial institutions, thus controlling our capital markets. Takeovers of Canadian natural resource companies will emasculate our national energy policies, thereby binding us to the United States in times of crisis. Canada's historical economic destiny fostering east-west trade schemes which offset regional disparities will be lost in the new north-south flow. And Canadian farmers who rely upon seasonal protectionism will lose to farmers who harvest year-round in sun belt states. Using these examples and others, Turner argued that it is inevitable whenever the economically stronger comes to control wealth that

there is an attendant change in political sovereignty and national identity.

Pointing out that there are more trade barriers between Québec and Ontario than Québec and New York, Turner said that his own proposals for freer trade include reducing interprovincial tariffs and licensing schemes. He also called for increased government spending on research and development. Criticizing the Mulroney government for pursuing free trade with the United States at the expense of attracting other trading partners, Turner urged stronger ties to the European Common Market and the Pacific Rim. He also favours continuing cutting trade deals internationally, including with

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## WINE, YEARBOOK AND SONG

By Teresa Scassa

It sometimes appears that law students are three-dimensional only in the strictest sense of the term. Casebooks, for example, are three-dimensional. This does not mean they are interesting. It just means they occupy space. They, like some law students, consist of a wad of incomprehensible and terminally dull legal gibberish sealed in a thin glossy wrapper.

Yet every so often the well-rounded individuals we once were struggle to the surface of the legal quagmire in which we wallow. Such occasions are rare and often involve large quantities of alcohol.

For the last two years, one of the best fora for both alcohol consumption and the unveiling of hidden talents has been the Law School Coffee Houses (not to be confused with the Thursday afternoon pubs in the Common Room). The traditional Coffee House is an event which transforms the Common Room into a café-bar. Waiters and waitresses serve drinks and home-baked goodies to patrons seated at candle lit tables. The highlight of the event is an array of live music provided by some of the Faculty's most talented singers and musicians.

The first Coffee House of this school year will be on Friday, October 30. It will run

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TALMUD CLASS

Every Wednesday,  
1:00 p.m.  
Room 202

Taught by former student Greg Bordan. Everyone is welcome. No background is necessary.

## LA COUR EN DIRECT

L'émission "La cour en direct" présente de vraies causes de la cour des petites créances défendues par les intervenants eux-mêmes. Vous pouvez assister aux enregistrements d'émissions qui auront lieu du vendredi 30 octobre au mardi 3 novembre (incluant le samedi et le dimanche). Les enregistrements sont de 8h00 à 16h00. Le dîner est inclu ainsi que le stationnement. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements ou pour obtenir un laissez-passer, contactez Marie-France Caron au 842-6400.

## QUID CORRECTION

In the October 19, 1987 issue of *Quid Novi* the LSA Social Committee November Calendar mistakenly listed "CATS" as taking place at the Centaur Theatre. The performance is in fact taking place at THEATRE ST. DENIS. The LSA Social Committee apologizes for any misunderstanding.

## HAPPY HOUSE COFFEE HOUR

Hi there! Your favourite Thursday afternoon hang-out, the LSA Social Committee Happy House Coffee Hour, has another tasty, delectable feature to add to our popular repertoire of stimulating, inebriating and taste-bud satisfiers. We are proud to announce the upcoming introduction of SWISS MOCHA gourmet coffee (or an equally tasty alternative like GRAND MAURIER or AMARETTO).

Remember every Thursday, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., something hot or cold, sweet and soft or

salty and crunchy is waiting for you in the Common Room. Hope to see you there!

## LOST

**URGENT** - I lost an orange binder with all my criminal procedure notes and briefs, Thursday, October 15. Could the finder put meaning back into my life and return it to the SAO. KEVIN.

## FRANK:

Make sure you have a secured interest in all your chattels! Or else...

## LSA ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LSA OFFICE HOURS

The following schedule of LSA Office Hours is now in effect for this term.

#### MONDAY

11:00 - 12:00	Teresa Scassa
12:00 - 1:00	Bob Higgins
1:00 - 2:00	Neil Rabinovich

#### TUESDAY

11:00 - 12:00	Gary F. Bell
12:00 - 1:00	Ken Rosenstein
1:00 - 2:00	Norbert Haensel

#### WEDNESDAY

12:00 - 1:00	Maria Battaglia
1:00 - 2:00	Ken Aboud

#### THURSDAY

11:00 - 12:00	Rod Garson
12:00 - 1:00	Luke McGee
1:00 - 2:00	Tom Friedland

#### FRIDAY

11:00 - 12:00	Dave Lametti
12:00 - 1:00	Pierre Larouche
1:00 - 2:00	Hélène Tessier

If you have a problem or a question and would like to contact a member of the LSA,

please stop in during the hour where the member is scheduled. (You are also welcome to come to drop in just to look around!)

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If your club or group wishes to use the LSA computer, please reserve a time slot, on the bulletin board in the LSA Office. You must be instructed on the computer's use prior to using it!

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Please support the Kark Claxton Fund. Your support is essential to making the memorial fund a success. Contact Jay Joseph for details.

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The following LSA Ad Hoc Committees have been established to represent student needs: Library Committee, Cafeteria Committee (Chair: Luke McGee), Yearbook Committee (Chair: Holly Nickel), Constitution Committee.

If you have any suggestions or complaints, please leave a note for the committee or chairperson in the appropriate LSA mailbox in the LSA Office.

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Students who have yet to receive a Phone Directory can pick one up in the LSA Office during one of the scheduled office hours. Special thanks to Gary Bell who was responsible for their production.

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The LSA has put video games in the LSA lounge. The games are for your enjoyment, and should help the LSA generate some funds on your behalf. Please be mindful of the rules of "pinball etiquette", especially when others are using the telephone.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: BOORS AND BEEFS

Dear Editor,

I have always shuddered at the thought of falling into the trap of painting a whole group of people with the same brush. Particularly when the paint is of a disagreeable texture. This fear is founded in two reasons. Firstly, it is likely that the actions I find to be unpleasant are most probably attributable to only a small percentage of the overall group. Secondly, by virtue of the fact that I am affected by these actions I am by definition of the group. Yet despite these reservations I feel I have to speak up about three rude and boorish actions that affect most of us daily here at McGill Law School.

First off is the appalling practice of smokers to inflict the by-products of their habit on the majority of us who do not smoke. This in defiance of a profusion of no-smoking signs throughout New Chancellor Day Hall. As I write this I am on the sixth floor of the library on a Sunday afternoon. For the second time in an hour the repulsive odor of cigarette smoke fills the room. My best guess is that people are smoking in the stairwell or in the lift. The stairwell is acting as a chimney, emanating at the sixth floor level. Beyond this, though, one must consider how many times, in how many different locations, one is confronted with this here on a daily basis.

In consideration of the old maxim, "An eye for an eye...", I might facetiously suggest capital punishment for all persons (staff included!) found smoking in the new building. The scientific evidence is sufficient to satisfy me that second-hand smoke is killing a great number of non-smokers. Is it really too much to expect smokers to smoke in the areas specifically dedicated to this activity?

The second point that in my estimation is indicative of bad manners is the number of people who insist on talking when someone else has the floor. It is particularly unpleasant to see a professor vying with a number of apparently disinterested students for a chance to finish, or sometimes to begin, a lecture. It often happens that a professor is responding to a question right at the end of a class and a number of students break into general conversation. I for one would very much like to hear what the professor has to say. So please save your conversation for your time. Learn to wait a bit and I think I can be so bold as to suggest that this is a habit that will serve you well throughout your life. Particularly if you ever hope to be considered a *professional* in your field.

My third beef, closely associated with the last, is the amount of conversation in the library. Perhaps the area around the circulation desk is a free conversation area but the rest of the library should not be. If one thinks of the *strict* rules in public libraries that are *strictly* enforced, one cannot help but be bewildered at the noise levels in the stacks and study areas of the library.

In closing, I would like to say that it may be overly presumptuous of me to lecture on manners. But I do so in the belief that I represent a significant silent majority. Supposedly we will leave here with an education which will allow us to become professionals in our own right. I respectfully suggest that some here need to give consideration to these ideas.

GARTH WALLBRIDGE

## LONDON LAW

(Adapted for publication in the *Quid* from an article by Kildare Dobbs.)

Those who attended this spring's chit-chat with *Rumpole of the Bailey*'s John Mortimer were treated to a peek into the intricate world of an English barrister. Continuing in that light-hearted vein here is a quick visit to London Law.

The City, the original London, comprises only the financial district of present-day London. Its western limits are given over to law and lawyers. In this district grew up the common law and the notions of due process that were carried to all the countries that inherited British jurisprudence.

Westward along the Thames embankment from the Temple underground station one comes upon painted gryphons that mark the City's limits. To the north is the Inner Temple, one of the four Inns of Court that educate, license and regulate barristers, those wigged and gowned lawyers who plead cases in the higher courts and provide the judges and law officers. The other three Inns of Court are the Middle Temple, Lincoln's Inn and Gray's Inn.

A London lawyer explains the significance of the Inns: "Among other things, the Inns of Court are law colleges. You qualify when you've kept twelve terms - four a year. You keep them by eating dinners - three a term. When you've eaten 36 dinners you can be called - called to the bar, that is."

"You qualify by *eating*?"

"Well, there are exams too. I did learn a thing or two, though, about drinking. There was one bottle of claret for every four diners, and afterwards one glass of port each. It wasn't enough. So I always sat with three Moslems - strict ones who observed the ban on strong drinks - and drank their share."

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# Murder-by-Law

By Teresa Scassa

## XIII.

It had taken Tracy most of the weekend to convince herself she was still alive. The Friday night attack had left her shaken. If the whole murder business was still a figment of Jack's imagination, then he had a very dangerous imagination.

She was sitting in the little newspaper office with Jack and Lily. She had spent the weekend with Lily, too frightened to return to her own apartment. She had just finished recounting her adventure to Jack. His initial resentment at being left out quickly faded to relief when Tracy described the chase incident.

"Still," he protested for Lily's ears. "You should have told me. You can't run risks like that alone."

"I didn't think it was a risk," pointed out Tracy. "After all, up until now I always insisted I didn't believe there was a murder. I don't know why they went after me."

"You knew too much," responded Lily, drawing on an appropriate cliché. "Anyway, maybe they thought you'd bring Jack along."

"Killing two nerds with one stone?" inquired Tracy bitterly.

"Did you call the police?" asked Jack.

"Of course not. How would I explain being in the library at midnight?"

"This worries me," observed Jack. Tracy glared at him.

"Maybe it should have worried you before you dragged me into it."

"I thought you were interested in discovering the truth."

"There are different levels of truth," Tracy said acidly. "All I ever wanted to know was

whether Professor Hyde is a natural blonde

"She's not," responded Lily cattily. "She has the roots touched up every week."

Jack and Tracy raised their eyebrows in unison.

"We have the same hairdresser," Lily explained, blithely tossing her curls. "That's where you go if you really want to know the facts."

"Really?" inquired Jack appreciatively. Tracy wondered just what he was appreciating.

"That's right," boasted Lily. "For example, Jill, that's my hairdresser, says that Hyde goes in every Monday morning, and that she's driven there by an attractive man in a black Fiero. He'd have to be her lover. I bet she spends weekends with him."

"Wow," mused Jack.

"And Jill says Hyde sometimes complains about her classes and how much she hates teaching food and drugs. But you know, she studied biochemistry before law, so she's the most qualified."

"C'mon," argued Tracy. "You don't need a biochemistry degree to read a statute."

"That's it!" cried Jack.

"What's it?"

"The Fiero. I knew I'd seen one around. Professor Bellesnotes gave me a lift home after the party in his car. He drives a black Fiero."

"How can you tell? It was dark," interjected Lily, fiercely territorial. "It could have been blue."

"I'm sure it was black. That means that Hyde and Bellesnotes are still lovers."

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"Don't be such a jerk," spat Lily. "That's just like a man to assume away a woman's reputation."

Jack looked confused. "But Lily, you..."

"That's so unfair of you."

Tracy sighed despondently. Her friends were not going to be much help with her crisis. Of course, their help was not always of great value. Tracy ruefully recalled Lily's attempt at intervention on her behalf against the hapless Maurice.

"Leprosy?!!" Tracy had exclaimed in disgust. "You told him I had leprosy?"

Well, I was just trying to help."

But why leprosy, for God's sake? Why not something normal?"

"Be reasonable," pouted Lily. "It had to be something credible. I couldn't tell him you had anything sexually transmitted. Everyone knows you never get lucky."

Tracy sighed disconsolately at the memory. Her two friends looked at her with pity.

At that moment, Doris poked her head around the door. Tracy jumped in fright, then settled back into her chair with a sigh.

"Here you are, Tracy," said Doris. "You're always hanging out in this stupid closet. Hi ck." Doris ignored Lily whom she considered too frivolous to really be in law school.

"What do you want, Doris?" growled Jack, who resented hearing his beloved officeandered.

"It's not what I want," she simpered. "It's that gorgeous hunk Bruce wants. He's been looking all over for you Tracy."

Tracy felt herself go pale.

"He's in the lounge." Doris ducked back out the office.

"He was him," said Tracy wide-eyed. "He was one who chased me."

# P o t p o u r r i

Item: *Time* (September 7, 1987)

Richard Bateman, a Portland, Ore. man, may have to wear a "badge of shame" after his release from jail in two months. Judge Dorothy M. Baker decided that this offender was unlikely, what with prison over-crowding, to spend much time in jail - despite his history of molesting young children. So in a novel twist, she ordered that for four years the 47 year old man must post signs on his home and on both sides of any vehicle he drives that read, in letters at least three inches high, "DANGEROUS SEX OFFENDER - NO CHILDREN ALLOWED". The American Civil Liberties Union is now planning to appeal the sentence as cruel and unusual punishment. Still, it has possibilities and adds new meaning to the words "offensive" bumper sticker...

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For car owners come two legal notes which might make life much more pleasant. In the first, there is the Supreme Court decision which granted two Ontarians relief for vehicular damage caused by excessive salting by road departments. Seems that those who would sow salt must now reap the consequences. The press is refusing to speculate

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The placement of the games in the lounge is temporary. Eventually they will be relocated in what is now the Handout Office. The Handout Office will be divided by a partition: the front part of the office will continue to serve as a distribution room for Handouts and the Journal, while the rear section, connected by a door to the LSA Lounge, will house the video games.

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The new furniture for the LSA Lounge should be in place before the end of the term.

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Please be mindful of the smoking policy in effect in the Faculty.

about whether this is in fact a lawyer's unemployment act or whether Winnipeg puts too much salt on their icy streets. Also, it appears that a Québec lawyer is mad and not going to put up with it any more - seems he intends to fight those lovely "Remorquez à vos frais" signs... if only.

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You must have noticed where last week the Supreme Court finally came down with their decision on *R. v. Chase*. That was the New Brunswick case that established that the touching of a woman's breasts without her consent does *not* constitute sexual assault since the breast is a secondary sexual characteristic akin to a man's beard. The SCC unanimously rejected that submission and decided that a "no zone" is a "no zone"...

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BERNE - Un parti des automobilistes, fondé il y a deux ans en réaction à la vague écologiste, vient de faire une entrée remarquée sur la scène politique suisse avec deux députés élus Zurich et à Berne.

Le parti est contre les limitations de vitesse, contre une politique d'entraves à la circulation routière et contre l'Etat policier.

Il est d'autre part en faveur de routes sûres à quatre pistes.

## Turner

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the United States, under the auspices of G.A.T.T.

Turner closed his speech by suggesting that Canada remain friendly with the United States, but as equal partners, not as tenant and landlord, which arrangement, he believes, would surely result from Mulroney's trade agreement. Noting that Michael Wilson began the government's crusade for the free trade deal in New York City, while he began his against it in B.C., in Québec last week, Turner insisted on behalf of his party and as a potential Prime Minister that "we didn't negotiate the deal and we won't live with it."



## STUDENTS' SOCIETY ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUM

To be held October 28-29, 1987

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF REFERENDUM

WHEREAS inflation has had a direct and serious impact on the operations, services and programming of the Students' Society; and

WHEREAS it is imperative to secure the ongoing financial security and growth of the Students' Society;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the McGill Students' Council endorse the proposal to increase student fees and that the following question be included in the student referendum to be held October 28, 1987, so as to generate funds for the ongoing use of the Society;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the McGill Students' Council form the "Yes" committee for the fee referendum.

#### FEE INCREASE REFERENDUM QUESTION

##### DO YOU APPROVE OF:

1. A fee increase of \$2.16 per semester for full-time students registered in the facul-

ties of Graduate Studies and Research, Religious Studies, Law, Dentistry, Medicine (excluding those registered in the School of Nursing and Physical and Occupational Therapy) and Architecture (pursuing B.Arch.); and,

2. A fee increase of \$3.00 per semester for all other full-time undergraduate students; and,

3. A fee increase of \$1.50 per semester for part-time students registered in the faculties of Arts, Music, Management, Engineering, Education, Science, the School of Social Work, Physical and Occupational Therapy and Nursing; and,

4. A fee increase of \$1.08 per semester for all other part-time students; and,

5. A fee increase of \$0.36 for additional session Graduate Students.

*These increases effective January, 1988.*

**CHRISTINA SBROCCHI**  
Chief Returning Officer, Students'  
Society of McGill University

## SSMU FEE INCREASE REFERENDUM

By **Gary Bell**  
**David Lametti**  
**Teresa Scassa**

On October 28, 1987, McGill students will be asked to vote on a referendum question which would raise the student fee contribution to the Students' Society of McGill University. The fee increase for Law students would be \$2.16 per semester. The stated reasons for the increase are the rising costs of providing student services on campus, and a projected deficit sometime in the future.

At their meeting on Wednesday October 21, the Law Students Association Legislative Council opposed the fee increase. No doubt was raised as to the need for solutions to

SSMU's financial problems. Rather, the reasons for opposition focussed upon the inadequacy of information provided by SSMU as to the need for the increase, the way in which Society money is spent and how the increase would directly or indirectly benefit Law students. To some councillors, the SSMU proposal seemed to be a "quick fix" approach to the problem.

The LSA position does not rule out an approval of fee increases at a future date. It merely favours a referendum in the spring, at a time when full and complete consideration has been given to the issue. Council has established a committee to look into all aspects of the relationship between the LSA

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"You can't be sure," said Lily.

"I can't go and see him, he'll kill me."

"He's awfully cute," observed Lily. Maybe you should give him a second chance."

"He won't try to kill you in public," remarked Jack sensibly, "Why don't you go and see what he wants."

"Great. It's not your life."

"He seems really nice."

"We'll go with you," offered Jack. "He can't take on all three of us."

"Two," said Lily sweetly. "I'll go but I'm not fighting."

"Of course not!" agreed Jack immediately. He frowned and then added, "Maybe you should stay behind, in case it gets rough."

"Oh terrific," snarled Tracy. "I guess I'm dispensable."

In the end all three of them headed to the lounge. Bruce was seated on a couch. He rose hurriedly when they entered the room.

Tracy swallowed a gasp at the sight of the dark bruise on his already prominent cheekbone.

"What do you want?" she asked in a tone that would be defiant if it wasn't barely a whisper.

"Uh," he began looking uncomfortable at the sight of her companions. "I need to borrow some more notes. I thought I'd better ask you in person, since you seemed a little upset the last time."

"Oh," said Tracy articulately.

"Is it O.K.?"

"Yes."

"Well, I need last Friday's Food and Drug notes."

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O.K." There was a moment of silence.

"I'll come with you to get them."

"No!" exclaimed Tracy. "I mean, no. I'll get them now. Stay here." The command was addressed to all three of them. She turned and rushed out of the room.

### XIV.

Really, Tracy, he's going to think you're weird."

You saw that bruise on his face."

"He's on the hockey team. They played a game on the weekend." Lily examined her nail polish for chipping. They were sitting in the cafeteria having coffee. "He's really very nice."

"How would you know?"

"I talked to him. You took such a long time getting your notes."

"You're lucky I came back."

"Well, you would have looked silly if you hadn't. He's just a normal guy."

"He's not normal."

"You're right. He's perfect."

"Lily!"

"Well really, Tracy, I'm only human. Anyway. It's you he's interested in."

"I know that," she said sarcastically.

"I don't like that. I mean interested. He asked a lot of questions about you."

"Like what?" asked Tracy, alarmed.

"Like where you lived, what you did after school. Stuff like that."

"Oh my God. You didn't tell him."

"Well, I didn't give him your exact address. It's not dense, you know."

Tracy moaned inwardly. Her friends were killing her. She finished her coffee in a gulp. The bell rang shrilly. She rose from her seat. "C'mon," she said to Lily. "Let's go to class. I want to get a seat by the door."

"Can't we sit in the front?" whined Lily. It was a class taught by Professor Bellesnotes. She rose and followed her friend.

On their way down the hall, the two of them passed Dinah heading in the opposite direction.

"Cutting class?" asked Lily sweetly.

Dinah paused. "It's cancelled," she declared angrily. Lily looked crestfallen.

"Just as well," muttered Tracy.

"How can you say that!" exclaimed Dinah.

"It's a dull course."

"That's not the point. Cancelling at the last minute discriminates against single mothers with children to look after."

"There are no single mothers in this school."

"That's not the point."

"Maybe he had a last minute medical emergency," said Tracy to pacify her.

Lily wailed in dismay. "Oh my God, the poor darling."

"I said maybe," Tracy reminded her.

"But what if it's true."

"Then you can nurse him back to health." Lily brightened at this thought, but Dinah looked stormy.

"That's a stereotype, Tracy." She glared at them imperiously. "The trouble with you both," she said in stiff judgemental tones, "is that you're not women."

"Oh yeah," retorted Lily to Dinah's back as she strode off down the hall. "But you have split ends." She turned triumphantly to Tracy. "She does, too. It's disgusting. Ha! Real women."

## THE LAW - September 4, 1987

By D.A. Wallbridge

Motion  
in  
uncertainty.

THE LAW - October 1, 1987, round 2:00  
a.m.  
at Cinéma Parallèle

Reel to real!  
This round's  
blow to blow  
Justice swings hard  
- the gavel drops low

Right.  
Left.  
Is it fair?  
It's your round  
and you reel  
to care

Haze, blood,  
brotherhood seeps through your pores  
as you follow  
your complacency  
onto the floor  
now  
soul purpose beats at your heart  
Fiction  
meets  
conviction  
in the due process of law.

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from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in the Common Room. Prices are very reasonable, and all proceeds will go to the Yearbook Committee. Many of the performers from previous Coffee Houses have already confirmed their appearances. In addition, several new voices may be added, including the stage debut of the Flying Condon Brothers. Hallowe'en gear is optional.



## NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF SOCIAL EVENTS

November 5	"End of Mooting" Party
November 6	"Gisèle" by Les Grands Ballets Canadiens 8:00 p.m. - Place des Arts cost: \$18 for students
November 11	"Cats" 2:00 p.m. - Théâtre St. Denis cost: \$25 for students
November 19	Backgammon Tournament, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.
November 21	Union Ballroom Bash sponsored by the Law Faculty

For both "Gisèle" and "Cats", tickets can be purchased at the Activities Desk, Wednesdays, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

And every Thursday, the "Happy House Coffee Hour" comes to you in the Common Room, from 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.

N. Haensel

### SSMU Fee Increase Cont'd from p. 6

with the SSMU.

The report of this committee early next semester should clarify many of the LSA councillors' present concerns. In the meantime, Law students will be urged to refuse the fee increase in the upcoming referendum. Students faced with rising costs at every level of their existence have a right to demand a full justification for the raising of student fees. The SSMU should bear the burden of proving a real and substantial need for increased funding. Since no real inconvenience will be caused by a postponement of the referendum, LSA Council has chosen to withhold its approval until a more complete study is undertaken.



## Speaker's Corner

### MCGILL LAW AND POLICY WORKSHOP

Unless otherwise noted, all workshops will be held at 12:00 noon in Room 202 at 3644 Peel Street.

October 30 Anthony Kronman, Yale Law School.

"Old Statesmen, New Republicans: The Meaning of Practical Wisdom as a Professional Ideal for Lawyers"

November 3-4 [International Human Rights Conference]

November 4 Mr. Justice Michael Kirby, President, New South Wales Court of Appeal.  
"Technology and Human Rights"

November 6 Dan Fischel, University of Chicago  
"From MITE to CTS: State Takeover Legislation"

## Dear Abby Initio

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### Outrageous McGill Law Conspiracy

It is respectfully submitted that inequality strikes in the heart of the McGill Law Faculty. It has been duly noted that no paper towels are available in the men's washroom adjacent to the Pit. Reliable sources indicate the women's washrooms never lack paper towels. Without prejudice to anyone, why? How much are you saving?

Wet and Unhappy  
B.C.L. II.

Dear Wet,

Did you ever stop to think that many men prefer a blow dryer to a hand towel?

Dear Abby Initio,

I'm all worn out. My books are heavy, the walk up Peel kills me and why, for Pete's sake, is the library so far from my locker? I always feel winded, I'm in a constant sweat and I feel like I just worked out. What can I do?

Steaming

Dear Steaming,

Are you unaware of the Law Faculty's honorary gym degree? Each law student automatically receives gym credits each semester: one for having both Constitutional Law and Obligations/Contracts on the same day and being keen enough to bring your course materials; one for studying in a McGill building located above Dr. Penfield Ave.; one for being too impatient to wait for "greased lightening" - a.k.a. the elevator; and a fourth for completing your tutorial library assignment, your legal opinion, or your moot court factum all on your own. You may receive an extra half-credit if you use nickels in the photocopiers to do your "research" for any of those last three. These credits can be traded in at the end of your law studies for a McGill Gym Degree. To graduate with honours, you must shave your head. So don't sweat it.